city, you must ensure the listed salvage and marine firefighting services are capable of reaching a point 12 miles from the harbor of the COTP city within the nearshore area response times listed in Table 155.4030(b).

- (5) If your vessel is transiting between 12 and 50 miles from an OCONUS COTP city, you must ensure the listed salvage and marine firefighting services are capable of reaching a point 50 miles from the harbor of the COTP city within the offshore area response times listed in Table 155.4030(b).
- (6) If your vessel transits inland waters or the nearshore or offshore areas OCONUS, but is more than 50 miles from a COTP city, you must still contract for salvage and marine firefighting services and provide a description of how you intend to respond and an estimated response time when these services are required, however, none of the time limits listed in Table 155.4030(b) will apply to these services.

## § 155.4045 Required agreements or contracts with the salvage and marine firefighting resource providers.

- (a) You may only list resource providers in your plan that have been arranged by contract or other approved means.
- (b) You must obtain written consent from the resource provider stating that they agree to be listed in your plan. This consent must state that the resource provider agrees to provide the services that are listed in §§155.4030(a) through 155.4030(h), and that these services are capable of arriving within the response times listed in Table 155.4030(b). This consent may be included in the contract with the resource provider or in a separate document.
- (c) This written consent must be available to the Coast Guard for inspection. The response plan must identify the location of this written consent, which must be:
  - (1) On board the vessel; or
- (2) With a qualified individual located in the United States.
- (d) Public marine firefighters may only be listed out to the maximum extent of the public resource's jurisdiction, unless other agreements are in place. A public marine firefighting re-

source may agree to respond beyond their jurisdictional limits, but the Coast Guard considers it unreasonable to expect public marine firefighting resources to do this.

## §155.4050 Ensuring that the salvors and marine firefighters are adequate.

- (a) You are responsible for determining the adequacy of the resource providers you intend to include in your plan.
- (b) When determining adequacy of the resource provider, you must select a resource provider that meets the following selection criteria to the maximum extent possible:
- (1) Resource provider is currently working in response service needed.
- (2) Resource provider has documented history of participation in successful salvage and/or marine firefighting operations, including equipment deployment.
- (3) Resource provider owns or has contracts for equipment needed to perform response services.
- (4) Resource provider has personnel with documented training certification and degree experience (Naval Architecture, Fire Science, etc.).
- (5) Resource provider has 24-hour availability of personnel and equipment, and history of response times compatible with the time requirements in the regulation.
- (6) Resource provider has on-going continuous training program. For marine firefighting providers, they meet the training guidelines in NFPA 1001, 1005, 1021, 1405, and 1561 (Incorporation by reference, see § 155.140), show equivalent training, or demonstrate qualification through experience.
- (7) Resource provider has successful record of participation in drills and exercises.
- (8) Resource provider has salvage or marine firefighting plans used and approved during real incidents.
- (9) Resource provider has membership in relevant national and/or international organizations.
- (10) Resource provider has insurance that covers the salvage and/or marine firefighting services which they intend to provide.